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**Sheriff Pat Garrett**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Man's Tent doused with Gasoline and Set on Fire**

November 17, 2014 -- On Saturday, Sheriff's Deputies responded to a call of a man who was set on fire by unknown suspects. They discovered that it was the tent and not the man that was lit on fire. He was uninjured and no suspects are in custody.

On Saturday, November 15, 2014 at 11:46 p.m., Sheriff's deputies along with police officers from the City of Forest Grove, responded to the 2200 Block of SW Highway 47 near Forest Grove. A man called and reported that he had been set on fire and the unknown suspect or suspects had fled the scene. After deputies arrived they determined that the man had not been set on fire, but his tent had been.

The 47-year-old-homeless man was asleep in his tent with his dog when he heard someone outside. He called out to them, but the next he thing he knew he heard a liquid being poured on his tent and then it was set on fire. He and the dog were able to escape before they were injured. Unfortunately the victim lost all of his possessions in the fire.

Deputies used police K9's to attempt to locate the suspect but were unsuccessful. They believe an accelerant was used to start the fire.

The victim is temporarily staying with friends during the cold weather. Detectives are asking that anyone who has any information regarding this case to call 503-846-2500.